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1. A paper machine clothing (1) having a support (2) made of at least two support  
plies (3, 4) which each comprise longitudinal and transverse yarns (5, 6, 7, 8) but  
are essentially not connected to one another via their surface by means of yarns,  
10 in which context seam loops (11, 12) comprising longitudinal yarns (7, 8), which  
loops serve to connect the ends (9, 10) to form a seam by means of a pintle wire  
(14) slid through the seam loops (11, 12), project at the front ends (9, 10) of the  
paper machine clothing (1),

wherein the support plies (3, 4) are connected to one another via binding  
15 transverse yarns (15 through 20) whose arrangement is confined to the region of  
the two ends (9, 10) of the paper machine clothing (1) adjacent to the seam  
loops (11, 12).

2. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein binding transverse  
20 yarns (15 through 20) are present that do not increase the yarn density of the  
transverse yarns (5, 6).

3. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein binding transverse  
25 yarns are present in addition to the transverse yarns extending in the support  
plies.

4. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein binding transverse  
yarns (15 through 18) are present that alternately engage a longitudinal yarn (7)  
in the one support ply (3), and a longitudinal yarn (8) that is offset by at least one  
30 longitudinal yarn (7, 8) in the adjacent support ply (4).

5. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein binding transverse  
yarns (19, 20) are present that go over several longitudinal yarns (7, 8) in the  
support plies (3, 4) before switching from one support ply (3) to an adjacent  
35 support ply (4).

6. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein two adjacent binding  
transverse yarns (15, 16 and 17, 18 and 19, 20) have a mirror-image routing.

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7. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein at least one binding transverse yarn, preferably two to four binding transverse yarns (15, 16 and 17, 18 and 19, 20) are present at each end (9, 10) of the paper machine clothing (1).

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8. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein all the longitudinal yarns (7, 8) constitute seam loops (11, 12).

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9. The paper machine clothing as defined in Claim 1, wherein at least one longitudinal yarn (7, 8) constituting a seam loop (11, 12) alternates with at least one longitudinal yarn (7, 8) that does not constitute a seam loop (11, 12); and the seam loops (11, 12) of the ends of the paper machine clothing (1) are offset from one another in the transverse direction.